



MEMBER ASSOCIATION OF



NEWSLETTER

May, 1978

From the Federal Secretary's Notebook

1. The F.D.I. '2 digit' tooth identification system.

The Australian Society of Endodontology has started a campaign encouraging the adoption of the F.D.I. '2 digit' system of tooth identification. The A.D.A. approves this campaign and both bodies are urging our members to use the system.

2. Meeting of Council.

Melbourne, 15th February, 1978.

(1) The application from N.S.W. to form a branch was approved. (So A.S.D.C. is now Australia wide.)

(2) The Federal Subscription is \$10 per member. This was agreed at the General Meeting in Brisbane, May 1977, therefore, monies paid since then at that rate per member are those subscriptions due on January 31st 1978.

(3) The A.D.A. Visiting Lecturer for 1978 will be Dr. J. Sims.

(4) Three Newsletters are planned for this year. The deadlines for the other two are September 1st and December 1st. Material may be forwarded to the Editor -

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or

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(5) A.D.A. Workshop. A workshop "Planning for Dental Care" was held in Sydney, May 14th-17th, 1978. Professor Horsnell was nominated the A.S.D.C. delegate.

(6) The next A.S.D.C. Convention will be in Adelaide in the first half of 1979.

(7) International Association of Dentistry for Children. Forthcoming International Symposia on Child Dental Health:

1979 Budapest (Hungary) 19-22 July
1981 Switzerland
and

* 1983 Melbourne, Australia

For the Symposium in Melbourne - Council appointed Dr. Roger Hall to be 'Provisor'.

(8) Presidential Jewel: Council accepted with pleasure the offer by Dr. Hall (the Association's first President) to present a Ceremonial Presidential Jewel.

3. A.D.A.-Affiliated Societies Meeting: Melbourne, 16th February, 1978.

A.S.D.C. was represented by Drs. Allen and Devlin. The general feeling of the meeting was that greater liaison was required between the A.D.A. and the various affiliated societies; to this end the Societies were urged to keep the A.D.A. advised of planned meetings, courses etc. for inclusion in the A.D.A. Calendar of Events.

Societies were urged to appoint a Liaison Officer in Sydney to allow quick consultation when necessary. Periodic meetings between the A.D.A. and the Societies was envisaged.

The practice of Societies of holding their meetings and courses at the same time as an A.D.A. Congress was to be discouraged.

The A.D.A. sought comment on the By-Law IX 'AFFILIATION' (see the Appendix on page 6). A.S.D.C. members are requested to peruse the By-Law. Suggested amendments may be forwarded to the Federal Secretary.

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4. I.A.D.C. Journal

There has been some confusion concerning subscriptions to this journal. According to the I.A.D.C. Constitution there are two membership classes:

- (1) Full Membership - National associations of Dentistry for Children.
- (2) Supporting Members - Dental practitioners in countries with or without a national association of Dentistry for Children.

A.S.D.C. is a full member of I.A.D.C.; State Branches may apply to the I.A.D.C. Secretary for Supporting Membership for their members. Supporting Membership costs Stg £2 annually and entitles the members to the I.A.D.C. Journals.

NEW SOUTH WALES BRANCH

The Branch, in a way, is embryonic but showing healthy signs of growth. Our next meeting dates will be:

Tuesday, 4th July
Tuesday, 19th September
Tuesday, 21st November

The venue is the Chancellor's Room, Sydney University Union Building. A.S.D.C. members from other States visiting Sydney will be welcome at any of these meetings.

The A.D.A. is sponsoring Professor Richard King of Otago University, New Zealand on a lecture tour of the eastern states. His field is pedodontics and the A.S.D.C., NSW Branch will be well represented at his presentation at Terrigal, NSW on Sunday, 30th July.

Professor King's full itinerary is as follows:

Lindeman Island	Monday 24th July
" "	Wednesday, 26th July
Terrigal	Sunday, 30th July
Coffs Harbour	Friday, 4th August
Tamworth	Monday, 7th August
Dubbo	Friday, 11th August
Wagga Wagga	Monday, 14th August
Canberra	Friday, 18th August

All enquires and applications:

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TOM MACKAY

QUEENSLAND BRANCH

At the annual clinic day of the Queensland Branch of the A.D.A. our member Eric Tolmie spoke. He was very well received and we hope stimulated more interest in children's dentistry on the part of general practitioners. He pointed out it would be regrettable for all, namely patients, dental therapists, dental officers and general practitioners if children's dentistry was exclusively practiced in the school environment.

Talks by members have included discussion on Orthodontic Recordkeeping, Composite restorations, and Behavioural Problems and their handling.

In addition the branch has been contributing articles of clinical interest to the newsletter of the A.D.A.- Queensland Branch. Recent articles concerned Pulpotomies in the primary teeth of patients with heart disease, and Child Abuse.

Our September meeting (23rd and 24th) will be at Toowoomba and will be near the time of the Carnival of Flowers. We welcome any visitors and for details contact Eric Tolmie, 158 Margaret St., Toowoomba, 4350.

Members will note with sadness the passing of Graham Simmonds, the first M.D.Sc. graduate in Paedodontics from Queensland University, a former President of our A.D.A. State Branch and colleague.

ROBIN SMITH

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BRANCH

The Branch this year has decided not to have a theme, but rather have a variety of speakers from different fields of dentistry.

At the first meeting on 27th February, the main speaker for the evening was Dr. Ross McDonald who spoke on Radiology in Dentistry. Dr. McDonald provided a comprehensive 'up-date in radiology' starting with the basics of an understanding of how to view X-rays, and how this is related to visual perception. Dr. McDonald also outlined the common errors in taking bite-wing X-rays and stressed the use of a magnifying glass in the detection of the interproximal carious lesion.

Prior to the main speaker, Dr. Bruce Noble gave a stirring five minute talk on the responsibilities of the professional dentist to society and how dentistry fitted into the umbrella of 'medical' health. Dr. Noble also touched on peer review and the expectations of the community in today's consumer orientated society.

The second meeting was on 24th April. The main speaker for the evening was Dr. Geoff Heithersay who spoke on an up-date in endodontics. Geoff has certainly not lost any of his enthusiasm or charismatic qualities over the years. His talk centred mainly on the fractured incisor with incomplete root development. He also spoke about the avulsed tooth which, in the light of Dr. Jens Andreasens address to A.S.E. at the pre-Congress meeting in Melbourne '78, it is now suggested should be licked clean by the patient and then placed in the patient's buccal or labial sulcus until the tooth can be replaced - or better still the tooth be licked clean and then replaced immediately.

The 'five minute talk' was given by Dr. Pelham Sundrum of the School Dental Service. In his talk Dr. Sundrum outlined the role of fluoride in the community with special reference to studies both before and after fluoridation of the Adelaide metropolitan water supply.

Other meetings for the year will be held on:

- June 26 The guest speaker will be Dr. Ian Watson and five minute talk will be given by Dr. A. Vartuli.
- Sept. 4 The guest speaker will be Dr. Betty Fanning and a five minute talk will be given by Dr. H. Clarke.
- Oct. 27 & 28 A Friday afternoon and Saturday Course entitled "Preventive Dentistry and the Child" will be held at the Weintal Hotel/Motel in the Barossa Valley. Interstate members are most welcome. There is also provision for clinical presentation during a lecture period for those who may be interested in making a five minute presentation.

Details will be available towards the end of May or early June.

P.J.W. VERCO

TASMANIAN BRANCH

On Saturday November 26th in Launceston, a Scientific meeting was held. The guest lecturer, an anaesthetist Dr. Ron Rae spoke on aspects of general anaesthetics for children. Also a number of ten minute papers were presented by members of A.S.D.C.

Dr. Dennis Badger spoke on Tooth Transplants, Dr. Paul Crowe on Childrens Dentistry in the Hospital Dental Clinic, Dr. Morris Nixon on Trends in Restorative materials and Dr. Frank Wimmer on Prevention of Occlusal Caries. Each paper was followed by fifteen minutes of discussion.

Following the meeting wives, guests and members enjoyed themselves at a dinner dance at the Colonial Motor Inn.

On the 11th February 1978 a meeting of the Branch was held at the Colonial Motor Inn Launceston. Our guests were Dr. John Keys and Dr. Alistair Devlin, Federal President and Secretary respectively.

Dr. Keys addressed the members. Members appreciated the effort the president and secretary made to meet Tasmanian members and wish to extend their thanks.

The Annual General Meeting of the Tasmanian Branch will be held on Saturday 17th June in the lecture theatre, School of Dental Therapy, Archer St., New Town, Hobart. Following the meeting wives, guests and members will attend an informal dinner.

On Saturday 12th August our guest speaker is Professor Joe Sims. He is speaking in Launceston to the A.S.D.C. Tasmanian Branch on Trauma to Incisor Teeth. The meeting will be followed by a dinner for members and guests.

A large contingent of Tasmanian members will visit Melbourne on 26th June to attend the One Day Convention of the Victorian Branch.

It has been decided by A.S.D.C. Council not to hold an A.S.D.C. Clinical Meeting in association with the A.D.A. Convention in 1980 in Hobart.

FELIX GOLDSCHMEID

VICTORIAN BRANCH

Since the last Newsletter, the Victorian Branch has consolidated its membership further, and now has over 70 members. In accord with the influence we are able to exert with such a broad, though not unwieldy membership, we are actively promoting what we believe to be a fairly comprehensive Programme in Continuing Education for this year. Already we have had our first Dinner Meeting set in the theme "The Behavioural Sciences in Children's Dentistry", which will continue throughout the year at all such meetings. Dr. Frank Bishop, a child psychiatrist who has just made a wide-ranging report for the Department of Health, gave us a particularly vivid account of the subject of his report "The Child Under Abuse", but at the same time did not neglect to provide a curious but fascinating insight into the psychiatric make-up of the parent responsible. By the time the Newsletter goes to press, we will have had our next Evening Meeting, with Dr. David Horne speaking on 'why a basic knowledge of human behaviour is of fundamental importance for dentists'. Up till recently this has been virtually ignored in our dental undergraduate, let alone post-graduate, education.

Other evening meetings are on:

July 6th, September 7th, November 2nd.

As well we have a three-day course (May 24th -26th) in Child Dental Health at the Royal Dental Hospital and School, and a Growth and Development weekend given by Dr. Darryle Bowden, a Melbourne orthodontist and member of our Society. These topics met with considerable success when they were introduced last year, this year promises to be even better.

Also we have two one-day Symposia; one on Community Dentistry on June 26th, hopefully the Monday after Dr. Bowden's weekend. We will be using the School for Dental Therapists as our venue, where the facilities are excellent. In September, again on a Monday, another symposium, on Dentistry for the Handicapped, will be held at the Dental Hospital. Both these courses will feature interstate and local speakers. The Sec/Treas. will be pleased to provide further information to any persons interested in attending (John Wilde, 8/3 Verdant Avenue, Toorak, 3142, Vic.)

On a different note; we in Victoria are soon to mount a campaign to amend the omission of Pedodontics from the list of Specialities recognised under the Amended Dental Act of Victoria. We believe the future of Children's Dentistry in this state can only be harmed by this recent legislation.

Finally, in Victoria in particular and probably sooner than we think, we will have our work cut out for ourselves now that Melbourne has been accepted as the venue for the 1983 Meeting of the I.A.D.C. We look forward to the event as a challenge, and hope that in co-operation with the other branches, we can do the Society proud and, more importantly, serve the cause we represent to the fullest. This is an opportunity too good to miss.

JOHN WILDE

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN BRANCH

The Branch will be holding four evening meetings in 1978. The first was held on April 19th when Amelogenesis and Dentinogenesis Imperfecta were discussed. Two case reports were presented. The meeting considered treatment possibilities for 'Intrinsically' stained teeth.

The President, Dr. Bill Brogan, was able to welcome former President Associate Professor Des Kailis back to the Society, following his return from Sabbatical leave. Dr. Brogan also welcomed new members Dr. Theo Gotjmanos and Dr. Sean Bartlett.

Other meeting dates for 1978 are:

Wednesday, July 19th, 1978

Wednesday September 20th, 1978

Thursday November 2nd, 1978

The November meeting will be the Annual General Meeting, and the branch looks forward to the opportunity of meeting Federal President, Dr. John Keys.

The July General Meeting will be considering the "Emergency Treatment of Traumatized Teeth", while the September Meeting will consider "Dental Health Education and Motivation - the Current Status"

The Western Australian Branch takes the opportunity of extending best wishes to the Victorian Branch for the 1983 International Meeting.

ALISTAIR DEVLIN

MORE ABOUT THE I.A.D.C. JOURNAL

Congratulations to John Brown, of the Queensland Branch, who has been invited to become a member of the recently reconstituted editorial committee of the I.A.D.C. Journal.

The I.A.D.C. Journal is published in July and December of each year. Manuscripts are reviewed by two authorities. A notice to contributors forms part of each issue. For articles which meet the editors and reviewers approval, very little publication delay is to be expected. While the Victorian Branch of the A.S.D.C. are to be congratulated on their newsletter, and it may be hoped that this will evolve into an A.S.D.C. Journal, the I.A.D.C. Journal undoubtedly also deserves the support of and contributions from our members.

Articles may be research papers, clinical techniques and procedures, case reports, public health aspects, educational material and items of general interest. The address for articles is -

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The President has been informed that the Society's application to the A.D.A. for 'Pedodontics' to be included in it's list of 'Recognised Areas of Specialisation' has been approved. Branch Secretaries will be informed in greater detail.

A.M.H.

APPENDIX A.D.A.

BY-LAW IX "AFFILIATION"

ENTITLEMENT

- (1) Any body or association of dentists established in the Commonwealth of Australia or its Territories for a period of not less than three (3) years may be admitted to affiliation with this Association subject to the approval of the Federal Council and to the following conditions:

FINANCIAL
OBLIGATIONS

- (2) The Association shall undertake no financial obligation to such body or association or to any member or constituent thereof without the express resolution of Federal Council.

MEMBERSHIP OF
ASSOCIATION

- (3) Dentists who are members of the affiliated body or Association and who reside in Australia shall be members of the Australian Dental Association Incorporated and the affiliated body shall forward to the Federal Secretary in February each year or at such other time as may be requested, a list of the names and addresses of all members of that body.

CONSTITUTION
TO BE LODGED

- (4) The Constitution of the affiliated body shall be lodged at the office of the Australian Dental Association Incorporated. The affiliated body shall notify the Federal Secretary within sixty (60) days of any amendment to their Constitution.

RECOGNITION
AT CONGRESS

- (5) At any Congress or other such function the Association may give due recognition to the affiliated body both at a scientific and an official level.

CONFORMITY WITH
ASSOCIATION
POLICY

- (6) An affiliated society may hold a scientific meeting at the time of an Australian Dental Congress if specific permission is granted by the Congress Organising Committee and the Federal Executive.
- (7) The affiliated body shall not embark on any activities the object of which is contrary to the policy and welfare of the Australian Dental Association Incorporated.
- (8) The affiliated body shall, within sixty (60) days of its Annual General Meeting, lodge at the office of the Australian Dental Association Incorporated, a signed copy of its annual report.
- (9) A society seeking affiliation must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Federal Council that it is an organisation with objects similar to those of the Australian Dental Association Incorporated and not one whose interests are mainly social or recreational.